

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.  
TPIP024

## TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Nathan Kane, entitled Methods for Manipulating Small Amounts of Solids, for a(n):

(X) Original Patent Application.

(X) This application claims benefit of prior U.S. Provisional Patent Application Nos. 60/423,377 filed on November 4, 2002, 60/424,001 filed on November 6, 2002, 60/430,089 filed on December 12, 2002, 60/449,554 filed on February 24, 2003 and 60/450,285 filed on February 27, 2003.

( ) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):

( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior application No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed on: \_\_\_\_\_

(x ) A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

Enclosed are:

- (X) Specification; 50 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s); 57 Total Sheets.  
( ) Oath or Declaration:  
    ) A Newly Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:  
        ( ) Signed. ( ) Unsigned. ( ) Partially Signed.  
    ( ) A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).  
        ( ) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.  
        ( ) Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).  
( ) Power of Attorney. (X) Return Receipt Postcard.  
( ) Associate Power of Attorney. ( ) A Check in the amount of for the Filing Fee.  
( ) Preliminary Amendment. ( ) Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449.  
( ) A Duplicate Copy of this Form for Processing Fee Against Deposit Account.  
( ) A Certified Copy of Priority Documents (if foreign priority is claimed).  
(X) Applicant claims small entity status.

( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

CLAIMS AS FILED				
FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	37	17	\$9.00	\$ 153.00
Independent Claims	22	19	\$42.00	\$ 798.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)				\$0.00
Assignment Recording Fee				\$0.00
Basic Filing Fee				\$385.00
Total Filing Fee				\$ 1,336.00

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